



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Establish the Summer Success Program Fund

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Pierce of Falmouth

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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Current biennium cost increase - General Fund

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Appropriations/Allocations				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation establishes the Summer Success Program within the Department of Education to facilitate the development of high-quality summer success programs in school administrative units (SAU's) statewide. It requires the department to establish standards and approval criteria for those SAU's that choose to apply to the program and to begin providing grants to qualified SAU's beginning in fiscal year 2018-19.

Requiring the department to provide grants to eligible SAU's beginning in fiscal year 2018-19 will result in increased General Fund costs to the Department if funding is not received from other sources or if the funding received is not sufficient to meet both the total cost of the grants and the administrative costs to the department. This legislation requires the department, by December 15, 2017 and prior to December 15th of every subsequent year, to submit a budget request for the amount of General Fund appropriations and Other Special Revenue Funds and Federal Expenditures Fund allocations required to provide 90% of the cost of the program in the next fiscal year. However, if the budget request is not submitted by the Governor or approved by the Legislature, other existing programs and services within the department may be negatively impacted.

This bill creates the Summer Success Program Fund as a dedicated, non-lapsing fund to accept funding from social impact bonds, federal, state, and local grants as well as private funding sources to support the program. The Department of Education will require base Other Special Revenue Funds allocations of \$500 per year beginning in fiscal year 2017-18 in order to expend monies in the event that funding is received.